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PITTSBURG, THURSDAY, SEPT. 11, 1890.

NEW MARKETS FOR PITTSRUEG. Every Pittsburger who has the interest and advancement of the city at heart should read what THE DISPATCH prints elsewhere concerning the Eric Ship Canal project, The Canal Commission has carried its investigation of the subject to a point from which the feasibility, as well as the wonderful benefit, of the canal is clearly in view. Mr. Goodwin's report upon the various surveys made indicates the peculiar advantages of what is known as the Beaver-Shenango route, and we presume that this route will be the one recommended finally by the commission. The members of the commission are to be congratulated upon the zeal and intelligence with which they have prosecuted their labors, and we trust that the canal project

will fare as well when it passes into the

hands of the Legislature this winter.

Colonel Roberts demonstrates in these columns to-day, perhaps more clearly than ever before, the wonderful benefit a ship canal between the Onio and the lakes would be to Pittsburg. The logic of his facts is presistible. If, under existing conditions, Pittsburg manages to sell a million tons of coal in Canada, if a Pittsburg coal man is now sending coal by rail and through the Welland canal to the Dominion, and in spite of the heavy freight charges and the toll at the Welland canal, can undersell the Canadian article, what could prevent an immense expansion of Pittsburg's market for her coal if an all-water route were extended to her? Not only for coal, but for iron and steel and glass and the rest of Pittsburg's manufactures, new markets in the West and Northwest, on almost all sides of us would come with the canal. To-day Pittsburg is unable to take full advantage of her gigantic resources. The water-link from the river to the lakes is what Pittsburg wants more than any other thing. This city can go very much higher if her citizens will but take a hearty interest in the canal project.

THE TARIFF BILL MOVES.

The tariff bill passed the Senate yester-

The McKinley bill has been changed considerably since the Senate took hold of than that they shall be restrained from par- so profitable that the supply would very soon it, and the House conferees will probably insist upon the restoration of certain parts of the schedule on metals, glass, etc. In any case the tariff bill is likely to be sent to the President without much more delay. The establishment of the tariff as soon as pos-

A NEED OF INSTRUCTION.

The investigation into the Pension Bureau has developed two points which go far toward justifying Congressman Cooper's eall for the probing.

In the first place it brought out the dis covery that Congressman Smyser, a stockholder in Raum's company, the operations in the shares of which formed one of the chief subjects of investigation, was unable to perceive any impropriety in sitting as a indee in the case and had to be crowded off by the request of his party associates,

In the next place it established by the testimony of Raum and Lemon that peither of them saw any impropriety in the latter's indorsement of the former's note for a large sum the day after Raum had made the order which Lemon suggested and which Raum's next subordinate declared to be objectionable. This is compared by the conservative Philadelphia Ledger to be like the case "of a judge who borrows money from a litigant before his court," and this is in entire harmony with Smyser's attitude.

Whether Cooper makes out his charge that the refrigerator stock was unloaded on the Pension Office employes or not, he has certainly made it plain that the Raum-Smyser-Lemon crowd are in urgent need of some primary instruction on the limits of official decency.

THE VITALITY OF THE ALLIANCE.

The fact that Governor Gordon and Dr. Felton, of Georgia, have made heed against the sub-treasury scheme of the Farmers' Alliance together with some other indications of dissent from that policy in agricultural sections, causes the New York Sun to declare that the Farmers' Alliance has got its death blow. "For a short term of feverish excitement," says the Sun, "the idea rippled over their imagination that they had formed a party of the political cohesion which comes from an intelligible promising purpose; but this notion vanished at the first sign of opposition to the sub-treasury bill. The fun is over, but

no one is hurt." This may be premature with regard to the extinction of the sub-trensury delirium, but it can by no means be accepted with regard to the more soundly based and important purposes of the Alliance. The Sun's promptness in pronouncing the funeral appounc ment of the Alliance takes the attitude that there was nothing to it but the sub-treasury idea. That is a mistake. The scheme of government warehouses for the receipt of treated to more sensational scenes in the popular movement which was based stroke of work was done, and the consideron actual needs. The plan was the ation of the Langston-Venable election case joint product of the tendency toward class never passed beyond the threshold of as public men summoned up the stamina to Burrows, even found some difficulty in take position against it, its manifest weak- counting a quorum, and the recall of Repubness would be sure to cause its ultimate defeat; although it is by no means sure that | their constituents is thought to be necessary. more may not be heard of it in Georgia pol- Speaker Reed may effect a change in the

a large number of legitimate and important functions to perform. These are not only the educational and co-operative work of the grangers, but they include the union of farmers for aiding and protecting their interests. The crushing defeat which the alliance gave to the jute bagging combination is an evidence of its value that will ensure it against dissolution, because one of its ill-considered exuberances is cut off. Wherever there is anything in the prevailing commercial or financial methods of the day that prejudices the interests of the farmers, there is legitimate work for an organization like the Farmers' Alliance, Until capital abjures the formation of trusts and pools, and middlemen seek exorbitant profits by excessive prices, the Alliance or its equivalent will commend the support of the farmers in the effort to abate these nuisances. It would not be strange if that union of agricultural interests might attain strength enough to cure the evil of cut-throat mortgages by devising methods of loaning money on agricultural security at reasona-

ble rates. It is certainly too soon to proclaim the demise of the Farmers' Alliance. Even in its wildest form it was not so offensive an example of class legislation and special privileges as corporation Senators, or the trusts which shape tariff bills to suit their own interest. With its vagaries corrected by experience and discussion it will prove one of the greatest instrumentalities in correcting tendencies which contain a permanent threat to popular welfare,

MUNICIPAL REFORM.

President Andrew D. White, as a result of his study of municipal systems abroad and his experience of those at home, submitted to the recent social science Congress his plan for securing the better administration of the city governments in the United States. Beyond the statement of the truism which every intelligent man recognizes. but which few have the backbone to insist on in the face of the politicians, that national issues should not be carried into the government of cities, President White's plan consists of two features: A Board of Control with the exclusive authority to grant franchises and to make municipal expenditures to be elected by vote of the property holders only, and the election of a Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the other functions of the city government, to be elected on a general ticket, instead of electing the latter by wards. The idea that a higher degree of consci-

entiousness and economy would be secured if the municipal body controlling public expenditures was elected by the property holders alone, is very general among a certain class of theoretical reformers. and is not altogether without foundation It is true that the citizens who pay rent are nearly as much interested in honest administration and judicious expenditures, as those who own the houses; but the failure to realize these qualities does not come home to them so directly in the form of increased taxes. The idea of improving municipal expenditure by establishing a property qualification, might be worth considering, if it did not involve the surrender of objects that are more important, that is, the interesting of all citizens in the administration of public affairs and especially in the interest of their own city; the encouragement of the legitimate ambition of participating in public matters on the part of the humblest and poorest; and the plain assurance in municipal as well as national business that the government is on eof the people and by day, and as that body straightway appointed | the people. Upon the accepted American its conferees, the final passage of the bill is | plan, if the popular vote makes municipal government wasteful and extravagant, it is better that the people shall suffer the penalty

ticipating in the government of their city. The proposal to have a Board of Alder men elected on a general ticket instead of by wards is predicated on the assumption that where a ticket is put up for the vote of country is deeply interested in securing the an entire community, the character of the candidates will be better than where a canlidate is put up in each ward or district. | tance, our cities may not be in so much danger It is questionable if the assumption is borne out by the facts. The character of a whole is determined by the character of its constituent parts. If a majority of the wards in a city will elect bad representatives we may be sure that a candidate put up to in honest and fair dealings with other nations carry the whole city will have the same character. If a majority will elect good candidates the need for the change disappears. As a matter of fact, it has by no means been the rule that the misgoverned general ticket than the average of the Coun-

cities have secured a higher character in exists a ring in the Pension Bureau." And if their Mayor or other officials elected on the cils. President White's change in the cities most imperatively in need of reform would be likely to result in the elimination from the Councils or Aldermanic boards of the reformatory minority which now serve

as a check on misrule. The reliance upon a change of methods for reforming the evils of democratic government, evinced by this plan, makes it pertinent to say that all plans are futile which do not base their expectation of reform on the enlightenment and education of the people. If that is secured the reform will come, no matter how public officials are elected. If public influences foster ignorance and recklessness among the people these qualities will have their effect in the government no matter what forms are devised to prevent it. It will be much better than to distranchise the non-property holding class, and not much more difficult, to carry out the democratic intentions of the government to encourage every citizen to be a property holder. It will realize a much more thorough and lasting reform to so educate every citizen on the effects of municipal extravagance and corruption that he will always vote in favor of honest government than it will to make some shift in the forms of election, through which the character of the electorate will be sure to make itself felt.

In other words, what we need is not re forms in methods and forms, so much as a change in social tendencies. Let the influences which are concentrating wealth at the cost of ignorance and poverty among the masses be checked, and the fundamenta intention of republican institutions will assert themselves. Let them keep on, and the misgovernment of American cities will be among the least of the evils that follow.

A NEW TEST FOR MR. REED.

It will be a surprise if the country is not agricultural products and the loaning of House of Representatives. The Democrats money on them, was the vagary of a filibustered successfully yesterday. Not a egislation and the inflation error. So soon debate. The temporary Speaker, Mr. lican members who are busy conciliating ities before Gordon and Felton finally can situation. Any lingering doubts about the of keeping as well as getting a quorum in the House we shall be surprised.

evolve some new and startling method

THE REMEDY FOR RAD DERTS. A communication appears in the New York Sun defending the course of a firm which got into trouble by sending dunning postal cards through the mails with notices headed "The Beat." The writer pleads the cause of the people who resort to that sort of thing, in the following way:

Why should it be illegal to put a dun, ever though a sharp and stinging one, on a postal card or envelope? If a business man sends a postal or other open notice to a non-paying cus omer and that person considers it defamatory. why not let him get, his remedy through the courts? Should the law protect dishones debtors? If the postal laws were not so strict in this matter it would be possible to collect from debtors who, under existing condition will not pay, especially if the amount is too smal

The reason why the law should preven such a use of the mails, is that it is resorted o simply for spite. Whether the debtor is dishonest or unfortunate makes no difference in the use of the mails. Debtors have s right to protection against the use of that ublic agency to vent personal spite on hem just as much as they have the right to rotection in their other rights of citizenship. o hold that because a man has not paid a bill therefore his creditor has a right to pursue him with postal cards calling him a "beat" is just the same sort of logic as if the creditor should claim that for the same reason he has the right to kick and beat the debtor if he meets him on the street. Beyond the rights of the individual the postal service has the right to protect itself against being made the vehicle of manifest

The idea that such a petty pursuit of debtors is justifiable, is based upon the plea that the creditor has no other way of selfprotection. Where he has permitted his hunger for trade to lead to bad debts that is true; but in the first place all tradesmen have it within their power to keep bad debts off their books. In this case the man who will sell to a customer without any knowledge as to his reliability, deserves to lose the account. Where credit is not based on thorough guarantees of responsibility, the resort to the system of cash on delivery is the obvious one.

Tradesmen who wish to keep up an upsatisfactory credit system on the basis of collecting debts by the pressure of libelous postal cards, generally have some illegitimate gains in that unique method of carrying on business which they wish to preserve. But it is a full answer to all such statements of the difficulty of collecting bad bills, that they can be entirely abolished by putting trade on a cash basis except where credits are based on guarantees of known reliability.

THIS is terrible! The Philadelphia Inpuirer declares that Congressman Cannon "besides being profane"-which is not what he is accused of—"is vicious," because by an arbi-trary point of order he defeated a needed bill that came up on Saturday. The Inquirer further declares the necessity for Congress to adopt rules "that will make it impossible for one ill-tempered member to defeat necessary legislation." But here has Speaker Thomas Brackett Reed been fighting and winning a campaign on the claim that such rules were provided by the present Congress. Does the Inquirer intend to call attention to the fact that the present rules only restrain the Democratic members and leave the Republican leaders free to obstruct and talk badly at their

THE proposition of wiping out a "moral plague spot" near the Capitol at Washington, by getting the Government to buy it up, might be effective in that one locality; but it would make the business of producing "moral plague spots

THE sensational reports of the way in which foreign fleets could lie off shore and shell our seaport cities, leads an Eastern cotemporary to remark that "if, as appears to be the case, the modern man-of-war cannot carry ough coal to bring her within shelling dis from that source, after all." But inasmuch as our ports are not much further from Europe than Alexandria in Egypt was from England. and that city was shelled without difficulty, it does not appear wise to rely too confidently on safety from that cause. We had better confide so as to make an attack on us an offense agains civilization, which no European power would

THE New York Tribune has reluctantly come to the conclusion that "there evidently things keep on it will be suspected that the ring is not entirely confined within the walls of that unique public office.

It is not singular that the Republican organs should make a spread over Reed's victory; but when the New York Press publishes a cartoon representing "Columbia welcoming Reed back again," an effect of the triumph that cannot be unreservedly indorsed, is indicated by the fact that the cartoonist makes Reed several sizes larger than Columbia,

IF Reed's supporters bought votes at Monday's election the way in which his majority transcended their expectations must mak them feel as if they had thrown their money away without sufficient provocation

KENNEDY'S assertion that there has been "too much billing and cooing" can be accepted in part only. There has been too much billing of the force variety; but the withhold ing of his speech from the Record is an indication that Mr. Kennedy's friends think that what there has been too much of, is cackling.

who supposed that the adoption of the policy of reciprocity carried with it the necessity of reciprocity with the Sugar Trust.

COUNT PAPPENHEIM, it is reported, will go into the brewing business on the capital acquired by his American marriage. The Coun modifies an ancient and honorable saving to German conditions, so as to make it read that he who makes two glasses of beer to feam where one feamed before is a public benefactor.

CHICAGO has come back to its old idea o a divided site. The World's Fair that is put on two sites is in danger of having a disastroffs

THE New York Herald, speaking of the Senate vote on the sugar schedule, says: "The Senate refused to give the people cheape sugar." As the schedule passed by the Senate makes a reduction of 1½ to 2½c in the sugar duties the Herald's idea of "cheaper sugar" is evidently a unique one.

An Interesting Fact Overlooked.

Here is a bard nut for the moralists to crack In Alpine county, Cal., near the Nevada State line, there is no church and no minister, but four liquor sellers and nine professional gam blers, and yet the jail has not had an inmate for three years. The only thing deficient about the statement is that nothing is said as to how many inmates the jail should have bad.

PORTLAND, ME., September 10 .- Full Repre centative returns from ten countles in Main and partial returns from the remaining six. is aver that it is laid in its grave.

But with the sub-treasury scheme put aside, the Farmers' Alliance will still have

OUR SHORT STORIES.

THE POINT OF VIEW.

"How does rural life suit you?" said the veteran commuter to the young man who flew to the country last spring. "Had enough of it, thank you, already. It isn't that I don't like the country, but you see its such an infernal long clemb from the station to my place; a half mile up hill. Nice enough when you get there, I grant you, but the road is so bad you can't drive a horse over it if you've any conscience. Then I don't like my neighbors very well—one of 'em everlastingly prying into my affairs. Asked me last week what I meant by keeping a horse and buggy when I had a mortgage on the house. The the boys can't get to school and-

"Guess you mean to go back to town?" said the old commuter, with a grim smile. "Yes, Pittsburg's good 'nough for me," said the young man. "Say-you don't know any-body who wants to buy a house out my way, do you? My house is a new one, you knowmighty nice eight-roomed affair; natural gas; tar walks and a lot 60 by 200. Elecant situation, high an' dry: sandy soil, no malaria, splendid view-and just enough neighbors to be sociable like. If you hear of anybody who wants a nice country house I wish you'd let

OWED HIM AN ARM.

IN the summer of 1877, General Jubal A. Early was a guest at the Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas. Among the other notables stopping there was the then somewhat famous ex-Governor Stearus, of Florida, who had been recently appointed by Presiden Hayes a commission to adjust the claims o citizens of Hot Springs, who had improved real estate afterwards decided to belong to the National Government. One day the two gentlemen, who had no personal acquaintance met in the hotel office. "General Early," said Stearus politely, "you

ought to be willing to shake hands with me. You owe me an arm;" and he indicated his empty sleeve. 'How is that, Governor ?" queried Early, at the same time extending his hand.

"I lost that arm in the cause of the Union at Winchester, where you commanded the Confederate army."
"Indeed!" responded the General suavely, as he stroked his long gray beard and slightly straightened his bent figure. "You mustn't blame me for that, I always instructed my men to do their duty, but sometimes the rascals would blunder." The future intercourse of the two gentlemen

was limited to a passing bow.

GRANDPA'S STORY. THE children had asked grandpa to tell them a story of the days when he and grandma were first married. He leaned his chin on his

clasped hands as they rested upon the top of

his cane and began:
"Jist atter yer gran'maw an' me wuz married an' set up housekeepin' I went to tend ther muster uv ther militia. Er lot of fellers I knowed wuz thar an' we got ter playin' sevenup fur drinks, I got drunk. When I got home hit wuz dark. Wife was er settin' in ther do waitin' fur me. How pizen mean I felt when I seed 'er. She 'tended like she nuver noticed nuthin' an' had supper ready in no time. The taller candle didn' give much light, but I could see 'er eyes lookin' watery an' red. Atter er while I went ter bed. Wife said she'd come ez soon ez she washed the dishes. I went ter sleep. When I woke hit was all dark 'cept whar ther moonshine came thoo ther window. Mer haid wuz er achin' powerful an' mer mouth wuz ez dry ez parched co'n. I feit fur mer wife. She wan't in bed. I looked roun' ther room an' I seed er kneelin' in ther moor light. Her ahms wuz on er cheer an' 'er face Ther clock struck. Hit wuz I o'clock. I lis tened. Mer wife's v'ice sounded like er angel's 'cept fur ther sobs 'at shook hit ez she said: 'Good Lawd, he'p me ter make 'im er good man. Don't let 'im break mer no' heart. He's all I got. I kin ba'r bein' po' an' workin' hard, but I kin not ba'r ter seer mer husban', whut I love betterin' all ther world, comin' home drunk an' makin' a hog uv hisse'f.' Naix' ahms wuz roun' 'er an' I wuz er pravin harder'r he wuz. She bust out er crying' loud an' l felt er tears er runnin' down mer own face. I nuver felt so happy er so mean. I got up f'om ther flor' er new man. Wife an' me be'n livin tergether 40 yeer, an' I hain't nuver made 'e

THOSE BLOOMIN' TRAMS.

A COUPLE of sturdy Englishmen, artisans ently, stood at the corner of Penn avenue and Sixth street vesterday. They seemed to be strange to the city. It was about 6 o'clock when they first took their stand at the Hotel Anderson corner. The cable cars in erested them; that was manifest. Every car that came bowling in from the east captured them. At 6:30 one of the Britishers intercepted a young man bound for Allegheny and in quired: "Can you tell me, sir, when one of them blarsted bloomin' trams 'll come this here way?" and he waved his hand from west to east, "or do them trams only go one way?" There was a pretty explosion of British expletives-mostly sanguinary-when the Alle-ghenian explained that the cars to Lawrencerille ran by way of Liberty street.

EVIDENCES OF A HIGHER CIVILIZATION IT does me good," observed the stranger, leaning against the awning post, "to see that there are humane people in these big cities even yet."

He pointed to a large wagon in which a poor old horse held in a kind of frame by a broad leather band passed under it, was being care fully hauled along the street. "Yes," said a citizen in reply. "That is what we call a horse ambulance.'

"It proves to my mind, rejoined the stranger, feelingly, that the people in larger cities are not so engressed in the eager scramble for wealth, but that they have time and inclination to cultivate those finer feelings of the heart that lie at the foundation of all that is highest and nonlest in our civilization. But here comes a patrol wagon with somebody lying down in it. Some offender against the law, I "Er-no," replied the citizen, after he had

gone out and joined the curious crowd about the patrol wagon a moment and returned. "It is a woman who fell down a stairway and broke her leg. They are taking her to the hospital. We haven't got any-er-ambulances for human beings,"

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

ANDREW CARNEGIE'S mascot is a brass telegraph key. He keeps it in a glass case. MARY ANDERSON has the largest feet of any tage beauty. She wears No. 51/4 shoes. JAMES REDPATH is aiding Mrs. Jefferson Davis in getting up the memoirs of her hus-

man car porter with a \$5 bill. Harrison gives MISS ROSE ELIZABETH CLEVELAND, Siste

GENERAL GRANT always "tipped" a Pull-

of ex-President Cleveland, has sailed for Europe and will spend some time abroad. RIDER HAGGARD'S first book was a com olete failure. It was "Cetewayo and His White Neighbor." He made £10 on his second,

MOTHER SETON, of the New York Convent of Mercy, is the oldest Sister of Mercy in merica. She is over 90. The order of Si of Charity, at Emmittsburg, was founded by

ALL the members of the firm of Harper & rothers are practical printers, and it is a rule of the house that each member of the family who expects to be taken into the firm must first secome proficient in type setting or presswork. BISMARCK has the satisfaction of knowing that the newspapers in Germany which have descrited him have lost seriously in circulation. The Allgemeine Zeilung in particular, which had for years been a Bismarck organ, and has ow taken the other tack, has fallen from 25,000

WILLIAM B. IRWIN, who died recently in Harrisburg, Pa., was a delegate to the conven-tion which nominated Lincoln in 1860. Mr. Irwin, a short time before his death, had ascersined as nearly as possible the number of dels gates who were still living of the convention and found there were but few of the old guard

Newark, N. J., where his father was proprietor of a popular hotel on Market street. The building stood there until quite recently, just below the First National Bank, in the best business portion of the city, when it was displaced to nake room for a number of buildings better

FIGHTING FOREST KILLERS.

Novel Plan to Destroy the Beetles That Ruin West Virginia Pinc.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. PARKERSBURG, September 10,-For months past the valuable forests of spruce pine in the Cheat and other mountains of this State have been dying off on hundreds of thousands of acres entailing a loss of millions of dollars, and no cause assigned for the devastation. Becoming alarmed at the great destruction of the finest forests in the country, Mr. A. D. Hopkins, entomologist of the Agricultural Experiment Station of West Virginia, was sent to the devas tated districts to investigate and report the cause of the ruin of the trees and to devise a remedy if possible. He has just returned and reports that the timber has been killed by myriads of minute beetles, not much larger than fleas. The beetles bore their way under the bark in all directions, and thus prevent a flow of sap, and kill the trees. He says many thousands of acres of valuable forests have alflow of sap, and kill the trees. He says many thousands of acres of valuable forests have already been totally destroyed, but that the bectles appear to be growing less destructive.

During the progress of this investigation Prof. Hopkins discovered a parasite which is preying on the bectles and doing much good by destroying many of them. Several species of these parasites were found in the same trees with the bectles. The parasites will be introduced in districts where the timber is beginning to show the effects of the rawages of the bectles, with a hope that their presence will put an end to the damage caused by the destroying bestles. If this plan should prove successful the vast forests of spruce pine still in a good state of preservation may yet be saved, otherwise the total destruction of the spruce forests of Cheat Mountain and the Alleghenies will not be far off.

GRAND OFFICERS ELECTED At the Convention of the Knights of St.

John and Malta. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 WELLSVILLE, N. Y., September 10 .- The second day's session of the Chapter General of America, Knights of St. John and Malta, was held to-day. The morning session was largely devoted to the secret work of the order, and to the reports of special committees. The order is found to be in a flourishing condition, and is found to be in a flourishing condition, and nearly every encampment throughout the United States and Canada is represented. The tollowing officers were elected to-day for the ensuing year: Most Emment Grand Commander, W. H. Goff, Brooklyn; Lieutenant Grand Commander, N. Perkins, Kane, Pa.; Grand Captain of Guards, J. H. Cowan, Toronto; Grand Prelaire, James McKelvey, Wilmington, Del.; Grand Canncellor, J. L. McElroy, New York; Grand Assistant Chancellor, C. Merritt, New York; Grand Almoner, J. M. Goodenough, New York; Grand Herald at Arms, Isaac Hoage, Brooklyn; Grand Sword Bearer, Fred J. Mosler, Bolivar, N. Y.; Grand Marshal, C. H. Berrman, Allegheny, Pa. Grand First Guard, F. N. Hall, Mt. Allen, Pa.; Grand Second Guard, S. A. Sealy, Philadelphia; Grand Musical Director, John Scott, Marshall, Tex.; Grand Medical Examiner, B. W. Dyer, New York; Grand Attorney General, J. N. Shirley, New York: Grand Warden, H. B. Walker, Brooklyn; Grand Sentinel, G. H. Seid, New York; Grand Trustee (three years), J. J. Baumgard, Philadelphia; Grand Trustoe (one year), Moses Hamilton, New York.

QUIETED THE DOCUMENT.

The Uniform Bill of Lading Trouble is Settled in the Shippers' Favor. CHICAGO, September 10 .- The new uniform bill of lading received its quietus to-day so far as its use in connection with east bound ship-ments is concerned. Chairman Blanchard offered resolutions that were adopted allowing the use of both forms, though urging the new wherever practicable.

Beyond a doubt this settles the new bill of lading in its present form. Altogether the result is generally regarded as a complete result is generally regarded as a complete victory for the shippers. It is now agreed that whatever is done toward the establishment of a uniform bill of lading must be accomplished through consultation with the shippers. They are all in favor of uniformity, but are opposed to a so-called contract which is designed to release the railroads from all responsibility for the safe delivery of property. It is understood that the committee, of which Mr. Blanchard is chairman, will arrange for an early conference with a representative body of Board of Trade merchants with a view to agreeing upon some plan for a uniform bill of lading that will be mutually satisfactory.

ALL ON JACKSON PARK. The Entire World's Fair Will Likely be Held

On One Site. CHICAGO, September 10.-The Committee on Permanent Organization of the National Com sission of the World's Fair was in session this forenoon, and after the noon recess reconvened, remaining in session the entire afternoon, adjourning at 6 o'clock until 11 to-mor

room, adjourning at 60 clock until 11 to-morrow morning.

There was a full attendance of the commissioners who constitute this committee. During the session it was voted that to-morrow afternoon the members of the committee would make a personal visit of inspection to Jackson Park and its entire surroundings, and it is reported to-night that many members of this committee, as also other commissioners who are in the city, are of the opinion that the entire World's Fair will be located at Jackson Park excepting perhaps one building, that of Park, excepting perhaps one building, that of he fine arts, which may be placed on the Lake

FUNERAL OF CAPTAIN SINCLAIR. Solemn Services Mark the Last Rites of the Late Banker.

"SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. McKeesport, September 10.-The largest funeral that has occurred here for many years was that to-day of Captain H. B. Sinclair, late President of the First National Bank, The sorvices were exceedingly solemn, and were conducted by the Rev. G. W. Montgomery, of the Central Presbyterian Church, who was assisted by the Rev. John Graham, of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, and several other ministers. inisters. The directors of the bank of which the de-cased was President stood as pallbearers.

DELEGATES FROM EVERYWHERE

Opening of the Fire Underwriters' Conven tion in the Garden City. CHICAGO, September 10.—The Fire Under-writers' Association of the Northwest is holding its twenty-first annual session in this city to-day. Nearly every fire insurance company in the United States has a representative pr

ent.

The proceedings were opened by President E.
A. Simonds, of Chicago, who delivered his
annual address. This afternoon George P.
Sheldon, President Phænix Insurance Company, Brooklyn, will deliver an address. The
convention will be in session two days.

A New Need of the Navy. From the Chicago Post.] It has been discovered that grass is growing

on the fast cruiser Charleston. Secretary Tracy should advertise at once for bids on lawn mowers to go with these new cruisers. Straining at the Gunt.

Talk of expelling General Kennedy from the

House of Representatives while Cannon is allowed to keep his seat is very like straining at the gnat and swallowing the camel THE BEST IN LIFE.

What's best in life, O baby, bright, With mouth of mirth and eyes of light? "My mother's face, my mother's breast. Her heart of love on which I rest

Boston Globe. 1

What's best in life, gay-hearted girl?
"Why, beauty, youth, this ring and pear!
Which tell of someone's love for me, And love, I'm sure, all must agree,

What's best in life, O busy brain?
'The sense of power to strive and gain
An inspiration's joyous thrill,
And work a baim for every ill, Work's best in life.' What's best in life, ambitious man? "Tis wealth for which I toll and plan, For wealth is master in the strife, "Twill purchase home and friends and wif

What's best in life, wise Heart and true "We learn it late, the good we do, Old wrongs set right, heart's healed that brea The unknown act, for Christ's dear sake,

You've tasted all its joy and care; Is't work for others, or forself, Or fame, or mirth, or love, or pelf, The happiest hour of the day

What's best in life, O Silver Hair

Is when you press your couch and say:
'Work's done; now welcome rest, good Bo Death, who kindly shuts the light,

SNAP SHOTS IN SEASON. THE pit mule is the only thing going back to

coal in Pittsburg. THERE is a project afoot to cultivate horseback riding here. I have been informed that a gentleman who thoroughly understands the care of horses is looking around for quarters near Schenley Park. His idea is to secure quarters for a riding school and stabling for the animals of city folk. Owners of fine stock cannot reach the open roads and the park precinets without running risks since the rapid development of suburban railways has ironed and ripped up the streets. A stable centrally ocated, with lockers for riding suits and steeds ready for riders would undoubtedly be appreciated by all who can afford the levery orse. The busy man of business could board a car and in a few minutes would be in the saddle. Equestrianism is healthy, and a spin over the pretty pathways of Schenley Park in early morning or in the twilight wo uid joit the cobwebs off the brain and sharpen the appetite for business as well as bread. This is an English fad which need not be condemned.

A SILVER spoon doesn't hold any more soup han a pewter one.

PHILADELPHIA police have raided the billboard ballets. There cannot be any bald-heads on the Quaker City force.

THERE are skeletons as well as china in a great many closets. AFTER having repeated Porter's census cate-

chism, it is awful annoying to be asked, "How are you going to vote?" The straw ballot flend THE game stands: Stone, won; George Shiras III. Rutan is at bat.

FEATHERS are as heavy as lead when weighed in the scales of Justice THE people unanimously favor a dog pound. Councils have resumed, and someone should prepare an ordinance. An early start must be

the dog days of '91. If not the scheme will go to the demnition bow-wows. THE etiquette of Congress cannot be introduced into the drawing-room.

ade in order to get everything in shape before

REED counted the quorum in Maine.

ALDEHYDE is a new drug of the chlorofor family. It will knock a person silly in two minutes. It is only a trifle more powerful than mmer resort whisky.

DAVIS ISLAND dam men should make good cricketers. They are wicket keepers. THE Thanksgiving turkey will soon be on the

THE President of Kentucky's Constitutions Convention is named Washington. If he's a chip of the old block the Bourbons will get

there in fine style DEADLY germs are hatched in foul cellars.

THE man who carries his head erect looks beyond his fellows; but he who keeps his eyes on the ground seldom slips on a banana peel. THE melons are going, but the oranges are

WORKMEN will never strike against pay day. WHERE is that electric fountain promised by

the Exposition folk? The show is good enough without it, of course, but new features, like chickens, should not be counted before they are out of the shell. WHEN a party gets a walkover in an election race old General Apathy has to shoulder the

blame. WHOM the gods wish to destroy they first

THE noise of the sewing machine has drowned the Song of the Shirt. PERSIAN insect powder burned on a place will drive mosquitoes from sleeping apart-

daughters and sisters of members was instituted. Martha Washington Lodge, of Pittsburg, was the first Indies' lodge of the Degree of Naomi organized. Since then Altoona, Johnstown and other places also organized ladies' lodges. The Select Conneil passed a resolution sympathizing with John O. Matthews, of this city, founder of the order, who is blind, and voted him a purse of \$100. The report of John J. Davis, of Pittsburg, Select Recording and Corresponding Scribe, showed that the membership is 11,450. The total receipts were \$59,591.58; amount paid for relief, \$19,54 62; total expenditures, \$48,501.29; cash balance in treasury, \$20,958 65. The total value of the property of all the castles in the State is \$117. ments. The incense incenses the buzzing little blood-sucker, as it were. THE death of Cardinal Newman recalls snap shot fired by Carlyle which caused all Enproperty of all the castles in the State is \$117, 160 21. The following officers were elected:
Commander, Charles Ashcorn, Johnstown;
Vice Commander, Richard Muse, Pittsburg;
Marshal, W. T. Solomon, Wilkesbarre; Secretary, John J. Davis, Pittsburg; Treasurer, W. C. Brown, Pittsburg; Inside Guard, H. L. Jenkins, Philadelphia; Trustee, A. C. Heller, Philadelphia; Supreme Representatives, S. D. Hunter, Phoenixville, J. B. Holland, Turtle Creek, H. E. Wainwright, Pittsburg, John C. Getter, Philadelphia, B. Nabbs, Pittsburg, J. K. Boyd, Johnstown, W. J. Wilkinson, Tacony, E. Murphy, Altoona, George P. Chandler, Harrisburg, F. J. Skerrett, Philadelphia, The Select Castle presented Secretary Davis, of Pittsburg, with a handsome silver tea service of 11 pieces. other High Churchmen, Carlyle was shining brightly in London. He slashed right and left in his crisp, cutting style, and when London woke up one morning it read that "A number of English High Churchmen are about to take the veil." The shot told and Carlyle's fame ex-

WHEN a woman parades in a new dress the eisters who pass her can be caught looking

SILKEN bodices cover more secrets than the calico waist. THE red thump-marks on the pages of histor

vere made by the soft hands of luxury, not by he grimy, sinewy hands of toll. You cannot always gauge a girl's age by the length of her dress.

THE coffins of the rich may cost more tha those of the poor, but graves are all the same depth. FRANCIS MURPHY is no longer a widower Mrs. Murphy will never be compelled to sit up nights waiting for her busband to come from

the club. May their honeymoon last unti leath divorces them. ARE not some of the awnings below th proper height? Take a tour of the streets,

entlemen, and get them into legal line. THE hardest weepers are not always the

nost sincere mourners. Good watchdogs don't bark loud. IF you want to frighten a child for life tell is

ghost story every night. The hobgobling should be banished from the nurseries. THE dress coat is always in society WHEN a baseball game draws only a few

tion is not a flat failure.

Ir pays better to invest a dollar in a newspaper than in a lottery ticket. EVERYBODY is acquainted with the man who

hundred people it is a sure sign that civiliza-

A WATERING place-The horse trough. THERE is this difference between joy and sorrow. One has three letters, the other six. Joy should be longer than sorrow, but it isn't. CHURCH steeples are heavenly mile posts.

not be so hard to teach the girls not to be ex-trayagant. WILLIE WINKLE, trayagant. PLAYS TO COME.

Ir dolis did not have to be dressed it would

THE sale of seats for Marie Wainwright's presentation of Shakespeare's most amusing comedy, "Twelfth Night," at the Grand Opera House next week, will be opened this morning The memory of the success of this productio last year is still fresh, and it is not too much to say that no more truly enjoyable and artisti performance is now to be seen on our stage Miss Wainwright had long been known as one of our most graceful, accomplished and intel-ligent actresses, but her performance of Viola reached a much higher plane than had any of her previous efforts. She will be supported by the same excellent company, which includes Barton Hill, William F. Owen, Perry Brooke, Blanche Walsh and Louise Muldener. BARTLEY CAMPBELL'S romantic play in six

acts and seven tableaux, which is under the direction of Mr. H. C. Kennedy, will be the attraction at the Bijou Theater next week. "Siberia" has been so often seen here that it is not necessary to speak in detail of its merits. It is one of the strongest plays of its class, and always plays to large business. This seaso nted and costumed than ever before, and the cast is quite equal to any seen here in the play. The principal actors are Maurice Drew, J. Hay Cossar, Frank Drew, Adelaide Pitz-Allen Taxie May Ulmer and Carrie Radchiffe.

THREE POPULAR TOPICS

To be Voted on by Visitors to the Exposition-The Ship Canal, Country Roads and Electrocution to be Balloted For-

The Prize Essay Topic. For the last three days' voting at the Exposiion this week THE DISPATCH has chosen three popular topics. Visitors can vote Yes or No at THE DISPATCH headquarters, in the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Billiard Company's space. Write your names in the Poll Book and register your vote for or against the following about to remarry is confirmed. The wedding day is not yet fixed.

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and Gentlemen Voters.

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The Prize Essay Contest for this week

will close with the Exposition on Saturday

Souvenirs for Lady Voters. Watch these

columns for future prize offerings and topical

PITTSBURG IN LINE.

The Smoky City Castle Ranks Second

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

the Mystle Chain.

READING, September 10 .- To-day's session

Chain of Pennsylvania, was mostly taken up

with the consideration of the reports of officers. Select Commander Rettew, of Commbia, in his

sistent work. Harmony has prevailed among all the lodges of the State."

The Select Commander urges members to

give encouragement to the military branch of the order. General John A. Logan Castle, of

Philadelphia, initiated 109 persons, the largest

number of members during the year. The next

they having admitted 84 members. The castle

having the largest membership in the State is Mountain Castle, of Johnstown. During the

year the Degree of Naomi for the wives,

daughters and sisters of members was instituted.

BITTEN BY A RATTLER.

"Rattlesnake Pete" Struck on the Hand by

One of His Snakes,

In an article published a couple of weeks ago

was given Peter Gruber's opinion as to the best

thing to be done by anyone if bitten by a rattle-

snake, though he had never been bitten by one

himself. Last night he had the unfortunate

opportunity to make a personal use of such

treatment. He was pulling a three-foot rattler

out of the cage where it was kept, with others, to show some friends who came in. In doing

so he caught the snake too far back from the

head, and the reptile, which had been in cap-

with a lightning-like dart and buried its

Pete then caught the reptile back of the

head, opened its mouth to show the fangs to the visitors, as he had started to do, and threw

it back in the cage. Then he took a rubber

band from his pocket, twisted it tightly around

his wrist, and, after enlarging with a needle the wounds made by the reptile's fangs, he un-

the wounds made by the reptile's langs, he un-hesitatingly placed them to his mouth and drew out most of the poison in that way. Sub-sequently, at the request of the visitors present to have a physician, Dr. Coulter was called, who cauterized the wounds made by the langs and administered the regular remedles. This morning Pete's hand and wrist were consider-ably swollen, but he was around as usual.

WEDDING BELLS.

Brilliant Marriage of Miss Maggie Ruther

ford to Superintendent Humphrey.

SEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

SCOTTDALE, September 10 .- A brilliant we

ding took place here this afternoon. It was the

marriage of Miss Maggie Ruthorford, daughter of John Ruthorford, of this place, to Mr. Albert

Humphrey, Superintendent of the Great Bluff

Coke Works. The wedding occurred at the home of the bride's parents on Grove street. Rev. John Connor, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiated.

After a short tour the happy couple will take up their residence here.

Over One Hundred.

KENNETT SQUARE, PA., September 10.

Probably the oldest resident of Chester county, Mrs. Mary Hynes, aged 102, died yesterday at her son-in-law, Patrick Keating's residence.

She was a native of Ireland, and retained her health up to her death. When she was 28 she walked 12 miles from Wilmington, Del., to here.

The President Congrutuinted.

We congratulate the President upon his es

cape from the Potomac bottoms to a Pennsyl vania mountain top. New York has been bad enough the last two days, but Washington

A great many of our people would feel bet-ter, morally and physically, if they would bestir

themselves to the extent of attending church

Christinu Jacoby.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

From the New York Tribune.

must have been worse.

From the Altoona Times.

poisonous fangs in the back of his right

tivity but a couple of weeks, whirled its bear

From the Oil City Blizzard.]

ighest is Smoky City Castle, of Pittsburg,

the Select Castle Knights of the Mystic

That the success of the order is due to per-

THE CONDITIONS.

This Week's Prize Essny Offer.

The Prize Essay contest this week is open to

all writers except those regularly employed on

the staffs of Pittsburg newspapers. Prizes

will be awarded for the best article on "THE

BENEFITS OF THE EXPOSITION TO PITTS-

Should the National Government Ald in the

-Over 4,000 children were refused admission to the public schools of Philadelphia be-cause of the lack of accommodations. Construction of the Proposed Lake Erie -William Eilis, a lad caught stealing Ship Canal? Open to Gentlemen Voters from his emplorer, a Norristown jeweler, in-Only. vested all his stealings in perfumery and mus-FRIDAY'S VOTING TOPIC.

hould the State Supervise and Aid Country -Doylestown, Pa., ducks are addicted to Road Building? Open to Lady and Gentledissipation. They eat the tomate refuse from a seed establishment which has undergone fermentation and get beastly drunk. SATURDAY'S VOTING TOPIC. ould Electrocution be Substituted for

-The number of failures in England and Wales gazetted during the week ending August Hanging in Pennsylvania? Open to Lady

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Adrian, Mich., has three thriving lady

-Oil City has 13 churches and a church-

-West Branch, Mich., was infested so

adly by wolves that the berry crop was left

-The number of newspapers published in

-The report that Garibaldi's widow is

all countries is estimated at 41,000, 24,000 ap-

oing population of 5,000.

23, was 134. The number in the correspondence of last year was 150, showing a deer of 16. -A New Haven gentleman has a couple

-William Riley, whose family has

For the best contribution on the above topic THE DISPATCH will award a prize of setting out pension papers. For the Second Prize THE DISPATCH will For the Third Prize THE DISPATCH will award

Each article must make at least 1,200 and not Competitions must be written legibly, on on side of the paper only, and must be labeled,

-Farmers in Fayette county are alarmed over a peculiar disease prevailing among cattle, especially among calves. The trouble is first noticed in the stiffening of the joints of the fore legs, the whole body of the animal finally becoming useless.

ceiling will cause it to blacken, centrary to general belief. The blackening is not due to unconsumed carbon, but to a current of hot air which deposits black particles on contact with a cold surface.

-The Naval Exhibition to be held in London next year will display the progress and

-Arrangements are being made for sending out to Australia from London toward the end of November a protected party, principally of single girls, under the care of the Church Emigration Society's matron. The society's offices are at 19 Victoria street, Westminster. -General W. H. Enochs, who is running

-A Seattle girl thoughtlessly told a friend that the names of the donors would not be displayed with the presents at her wedding.

lage, L. I., being unable to sleep the other night on account of an attack of rheumatism, got out of bed and went downstairs, and as he entered the parlor observed a burglar coming in the window. The rascal quiesly jumped back and ran off.

Army reunion in Boston was the meeting of two brothers, natives of Maine, who had not seen each other since the war, and each of whom supposed the other to have been killed in that conflict. One now lives in New York, the other in Vermont. -It is proposed to put 500 to 1,000 steel

antomatic brakes, on the Government railways in Natal, and that they shall be paid for by one-half the annual savings made by using them in moving freight, as compared with -A showman billed a small town in

that he would distribute "luck stones" gratis at each performance. These proved to be painted beans, but the recipient of one of them has since sent him \$100, with the news that he had been notified the day after he got his "luck stone" that a deceased uncle had left him \$2,000. -J. Price, of Savannah, Ga., has a curiosity in the shape of a young mocking bird entirely white. Price purchased the bird from a negro trapper on the Waters road, who brought

ance of the bird's bill it cannot be over 6 weeks old. There is no doubt of the bird being a mocking bird, as it has all the marks of the species except the color, and has the peculiar chirp of the young mocking bird. A white mocking bird is a great rarity. -A authenticated case of a human nose that had been cut off being restored is told of in a medical paper. Operations of the char-acter are often heard of, but almost invariably

week. -A curious wager, with fatal results, was recently decided at Siepring, in Eavaria. A notoriously strong man, named Freytag, bet that a horse could not move him from the door of his house. The horse was brought, and Freytag put his nands and feet against the door posts, while Stern, the man with whom

some yards. His neck was broken.

No vice goes alone-except advice, which

ardly. Likewise, speak no evil of the present; you might get licked. - Indianapolis Journal, An empty pocketbook is a man's most constant friend. Others may grow cold, but he will find no change in the purse. - Great Barring. ton Nesor.

banks of the Rubicon? Had Boy—Because he didn't have any bathing sit. - Harper's Basar. Sergeant (drilling a squad of raw recruits)

universal suffrage in at least one part of Russia.
"What part is that?" "Poll-land, "-Drake's Magazine.

ing?' "
" Much Ado About Nothing?' I should say
so! My train is chiefly patronized by ladies."-Drake's Magazine.

Little Nell-Annie took me to the matinee to-day, and all the idiot asylum inmates were there. The manager sent them tree tickets, and put them all in one part of the theater in a whole lot of seats by themselves.

Mamma—indeed! And how did they act?

Lutle Nell-O, Just as if they had a box. - Spring "Please, sir, give me aid. My wife and

children are starving." "I am a Kuight of Labor ordered out on a strike

"Well. I'm a walking delegate on my way to

by our leaders.

of tame wasps. They have built a nest in his parlor and live undisturbed and undisturbing. This is the third season the insects have occupied the same quarters.

mourned him as dead for many years, and for whom a stone is erected in a Hingham (Mass.) cemetery, has written from Maine in regard to -A scientist computes that with the aid of a machine constructed on the principle of the boring, drilling and pumping apparatus of the mosquito, a hole could be bored to the cen-ter of the earth in less than a day.

-While attending the fair, Miss Kuhn, the charming daughter of J. H. Kuhn, of Shelbyville, Ind., stepped on a nail. It was not thought serious until Tuesday night, when lock-jaw set in, and soon resulted in a very

-Incandescent lamps placed near the

evolution of the navy from the earliest times. The guarantee fund is already mounting to-ward £55 000, and the Queen and the Prince of Wales take part as patron and President.

for Congress in the Twelfth Ohio district, was one of the youngest enlisted soldiers in the Army of the Potomac, and one of the youngest Generals, too. He is said to have commanded in hattle more than 4,000 men when he was but

Of course the news got abroad, and when the day came not even the presents were displayed. They consisted of 36 plated sugar spoons and 19 salt sprinklers. -William J. Joseph, of Newtown Vil-

-Among the incidents of the late Grand

tubular frame eight-wheel wagons, fitted with Georgia some time ago with announcements

it into town the other day. From the appear-

the reports lack confirmation. The patient was a young man employed in a cotton mill, and the operation was performed by Dr. Kelley, of Griffin, Ga. The organ was cut cleanly off by a rapidly revolving belt, and had remained where it had fallen for about an hour. It was washed carefully, and every antisoptic precaution used, and healed in the course of a wash.

the bet nad been made, fixed a rope round Freytag's neck. At the first pull the rope broke. A new rope having been brought, Stern plied his whip with all his might, when Freytag gave a scream and, letting go, was dragged along for

THE WITS AND WAGS.

is always a loan . - Drake's Magazine, It is a good policy to tell the truth, be anie if you don't you can't expect to be believed when you tell a lie. - Burlington Free Press. Speak no evil of the absent, that is cow-

Teacher-Why did Cæsar hesitate on the

-What you must never forget is that immobility is the most beautiful movement of military ex-eroise. -Courrier des Etats Unis. Where Polls Flourish-There ought to be

"Have you seen 'Much Ado About Noth-

"Mr. Boggles has a fine turnout," remarked a voung man to a friend who has en-deavored to be attractive to Miss Boggies. "Yes," was the reply; "he has, I experienced it last night."—Washington Post.

CARLISLE, PA., September 10. — Christian Jacoby, leading Democratic politician of Cumberiand county, died at his home to-day at Kerraville. For many years he carried on the forwarding business, and was elected Register of the county in 1861. His age was 30 years. join my family at Saratoga, who are spending the summer there. I have no time to stop, but here's 10 cents for you, "-Narristown Bar